

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: Annamaria COLACCI et al

New U.S. National Stage of PCT/EP00/03100

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For: THE USE OF ALPHA LIPOIC ACID IN THE ANTIMETASTATIC TREATMENT

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

October 5, 2001

Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fees and initial examination of the application,
please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Before Line 1, page 1 insert

--CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION

This application is a National Stage entry of International Application No. PCT/EP00/01300, filed April 7, 2000, the entire specification claims and drawings of which are incorporated herewith by reference. --

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claim 4 as follows:

4. (Amended) The use as claimed in claim 1 for the preparation of antimetastatic medicaments which can be administered through the oral, intravenous or subcutaneous routes.